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LULAC PARENT/CHILD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM Fact Sheet

History

In 1997, a partnership was formalized between the Alamo Colleges Foundation, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) Council #2, and the San Antonio College Women's Center to create the LULAC Parent/Child Scholarship Program. Each year since 1997, LULAC Council #2 has donated \$1,000 for the child of each participant selected to the program in order to establish an educational endowment on their behalf. To date, 358 students have been accepted into the program.

In 2007, the LULAC Parent/Child Program was selected to receive the prestigious STAR Award from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for its exceptional contributions toward closing one or more of the state's gaps in student participation and success and was a finalist in 2008 for the Excelencia in Education Award for increasing Latino college success. Data has indicated that program participants are five times more likely to complete their educational goal compared to non-participants.

Requirements

Participants selected for the program must plan on enrolling for the upcoming fall semester, be the parent of only one child age six or younger, have completed a parenting program in high school, or a minimum of four hours of parenting at a community site and complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Benefits

Parents selected for the scholarship receive a \$1,000 scholarship, provided by the Alamo Colleges Foundation, to be distributed over four consecutive semesters to assist with their educational expenses. Once the parent completes their educational objective (certificate, associates degree or first part of a transfer program), their child is entitled to a two year scholarship to attend any of the Alamo Colleges upon the child's high school graduation. Parents in the program also receive one-on-one counseling, continuous monitoring of their progress and extensive supportive services provided by the San Antonio College Women's Center.

Impact

The LULAC Parent/Child Scholarship Program seeks to ensure the educational success of two generations by providing support, financial assistance and the incentive of a full scholarship for the child of a parent who completes their educational objective at an Alamo College. Since this program's inception, 117 parents have successfully completed their educational objective, ensuring their child the dream of a college education. We anticipate the first **child** will claim their scholarship in 2011.